

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. - 6. (canceled)

7. (currently amended) A golf ball manufacturing method comprising the steps of:

forming a golf ball having a spew stuck onto a surface by a material put in a mold;
rolling the golf ball over a roller including a portion having a small diameter which is concave along a surface of the golf ball, the roller having a plurality of grooves on a surface of the portion having the small diameter, the grooves extending in an axial direction of the roller;

stopping the rolling of the golf ball by abutment of the spew on a stopper;

putting the golf ball on a machine for grinding with the attitude of the ball being kept; and
removing the spew.

8. (previously presented) The method according to claim 7, wherein an axially sectional shape of a surface of the portion of the roller having a small diameter is a substantially circular arc and a radius R1 of the circular arc is 1.00 to 1.10 times as large as a radius R2 of the sphere.

9. (canceled)

10. (previously presented) The method according to claim 7, wherein an axially sectional shape of a surface of the portion of the roller having a small diameter is a circular arc and a radius R1 of the circular arc is 21.3 mm to 23.5 mm.

11. (previously presented) The method according to claim 7, wherein a rotating speed of the roller is 30 rpm to 130 rpm.

12. (previously presented) The method according to claim 7, wherein the stopper comprises two stopper parts opposed to each other with the golf ball interposed therebetween, positions of both of the stopper parts being set in such a manner that a difference (L - D) between a distance L between the stopper parts and a diameter D of the golf ball is 0.1 mm to 0.6 mm.